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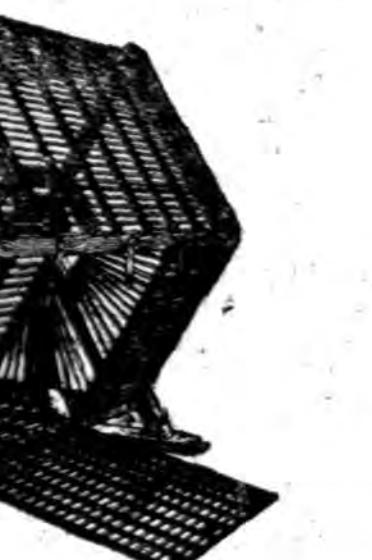


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BLOOMFIELD, N. J., FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1896.

PRICE FIVE CENTS

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE.

A regular meeting of the Township Committee was held on Monday night. All members answered roll call. After reading the minutes of the last meeting, Clerk Johnson reported the receipt of forty-seven bills which were approved as follows:

N. H. Dodd, public grounds account, \$20.35; William A. Ritscher, printing, fire department etc., \$29.98; Samuel Shawcross, cleaning street lamps, \$31; Walther Lane, salary, sewer inspector, \$65; A. H. Olmsted, maps and surveys, \$39; Superintendent W. U. Oakes, salary account, \$25; Fred Stimus, storage of road machinery, \$100; Walter M. Hopper, poor account, \$7.25; J. P. Scherff, medicines, poor account, \$12.25; M. Roberts, poor account, \$22.50; C. L. Voorhees, Poornamore, salary, \$41.66; William L. Johnson, Clerk salary and extra work, \$52; A. C. Mar, Collector, salary, \$100; John F. Dillon, binding, \$1.00; Michael N. Higgins, ice supplied City Hall, \$12.50; Bloomfield Coal and Supply Company, \$15; J. W. Wrightson, County Clerk, tax sales and account, \$97; (This amount is charged to the delinquent taxpayers) Thos Hayes, postman, \$10; Samuel Poloubet, spray pump, account of Board of Health, \$4.25; N. H. Dodd, repairs at Truck House, \$5.70; Martin Hummel & Son, coal for Exterminator Hose House, \$10; Sami Poloubet, supplies for City Hall, \$2.50; John W. Rawson, janitor of Hose No. 3, \$18; Victor Weden, janitor of Hose No. 2, \$6; Victor Corzaz, janitor of Hose No. 1, \$6; Frank N. Unangst, janitor of Essex Truck Company No. 1, \$10; Chief Engineer W. U. Oakes, three monthly salaries, \$37.50; August Olsen, Superintendent fire alarm, salary and extra work, \$15; Gamewell Fire Alarm Company, three new boxes, \$300; Gamewell Fire Alarm Company, keys, \$3; Speer & Stager, painting signs, fire department account, \$3.90; Speer & Stager, glass for Police Station, \$2; R. N. Dodd, Phoenix Hose House rent, \$50; Eliot House, meals supplied to prisoners at Station House, \$3.10; Henry Thompson, janitor Police Station, \$4; Police officers' salaries, James Avery, John R. Baylis, L. M. Collins, James Foster and Thos. McKeon, \$60 each; Charles F. Hupfelm, \$60.60; John Weden, \$32; Lawrence Shorter, \$3.

Mr. Gilbert protested vigorously against such action on account of the increased expense that the taxpayers would be burdened with. He objected to increasing the tax rate until it should be definitely settled as to whether or not Glen Ridge was to come back to the township.

On the motion to grant the franchise all voted in favor of it except Mr. Gilbert.

An ordinance covering the details of construction was passed to first reading, and Chairman Stout was authorized to execute the contract.

The main thoroughfares are to be illuminated by arc lamps and the balance by the incandescent system.

Mr. Powers said that he considered the electric lights as a help to the police, as the lights are to burn all night and every night. Every street is to be lighted at an additional expense of only \$2,700 per year above the present gas service.

The bid for commercial lighting is 25 per cent lower than Newark.

Mr. Haskell said that the Lighting and Finance Committee had carefully considered the contract and the day would be dangerous. He considered the bids the lowest of any place in Essex County.

Mr. Gilbert offered an amendment to the motion that this matter be referred back to a citizens' meeting but it was not seconded.

The Auditing Committee were instructed to employ an expert account to audit the township accounts.

ELECTRIC LIGHT CONTRACT.

The Accepted Bid Pronounced by an Expert "Hazy and Indefinite."

The Record is enabled to give its readers the result of an examination by an expert electrician of the different proposals that have been made to install an electric lighting plant in Bloomfield. A contract has now been awarded to one of the bidders we print below so much of the expert's opinion as relates especially to the accepted bid.

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